

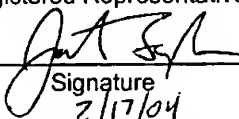
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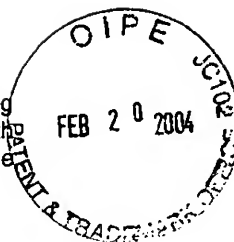
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Our Case No. 659/792

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Daniel Hoo et al.)

Serial No. 10/024,999)

Filing Date: December 18, 2001)

For: METHOD FOR INCREASING)
ABSORPTION RATE OF AQUEOUS)
SOLUTION INTO A BASESHEET)

Examiner Laura E. Edwards

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed on September 16, 2003. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejections in view of the following remarks, as set forth below. Submitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.114.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.